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Ice storm causes injuries on Wartburg campus

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After ice storms the past two weeks, faculty member Dr. Fred Waldtsein and Wartburg Student Jessica Pedersen were severely injured from the ice outside.

Fred Waldstein

Waldstein said he was walking out of the CTC building to go to a meeting, and his car was parked on the street across from Hamm Platz. The ground had been covered with a thin coat of snow.

Waldtsein said he was trying his best to be cautious as he left the sidewalk to walk off the road in Neumann Circle.

"The road seemed OK, but as I came to the end near the street there was a patch of ice under the snow that I couldn't see. That's where I went down," Waldstein said.

Waldtsein suffered four broken ribs and a punctured lung as a result of the fall. Students and faculty alike have since expressed concerns about their own safety in winter weather.

Waldtsein said despite his fall, he knows Wartburg is doing the best they can to keep all members of the Wartburg community safe.

"There is only so much an institution can do, and it is unrealistic to be able to provide 100% safety in these matters," says Waldstein.

"We all need to exercise personal caution to assure our individual safety and health."

Most Wartburg students still had classes both last week and the week before, as many Wartburg professors did not cancel classes despite the ice.

Director of Campus Security John B. Myers said although Wartburg Campus Security is giving their best effort, ice is a reality in the Midwest.

"We can only do so much, we can't control the weather. I have been at Wartburg for 20 years, and this is the first time in a long time that the ice has been this bad."

Myers said maintenance spreads sand and salt to melt the ice on the sidewalks and in driveways.

"If there is an area that needs attention people should report it so they can have maintenance handle it," Myers said.

Student Jess Pedersen, who was unavailable to comment, fell on on the ice on campus and received a concussion.

Wartburg students and faculty joined over 26,000 others in a march for equality at the Iowa state capitol on Saturday. — **Submitted photo**

Students and faculty march for equality

Estimated 26,000 Iowans join the Women's March on Des Moines Saturday

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Several Wartburg students and faculty members participated in sister demonstrations to the Women's March on Washington D.C. held on Saturday.

M. Paula Survilla

According to the Des Moines Register, around 26,000 Iowans flocked to Des Moines to march for equality.

Dr. M. Paula Survilla, Dr. Joyce Boss and student Kim Schlesinger were just a few who joined the movement in Des Moines to march with fellow Iowans.

"I grew up in a household where social activism and protest were modeled by my parents. I was keenly aware that having a voice was a privilege not afforded to everyone and that choosing to use it was not just a choice but a responsibility," Survilla said.

Survilla said the Women's March represents a powerful coming together of the calls to action she experienced in her childhood and eventually in her work as a scholar.

"In a contemporary climate that is marked by the misuse of rhetoric, the corruption of information, and the subjugation of so many, I found the Women's March to be such a powerful moment," Survilla said.

According to Boss, chair of the department of English and modern languages, the Women's March originated to recognize and honor the work of previous activists.

"Democracy and justice do not happen randomly. They must be treasured, and we have to continue working toward those goals. Free speech and free assembly are crucial rights enshrined in our constitution. In order for our democracy to be meaningful, we need all voices to be heard," Boss said.

Schlesinger said her participation was an effort to give voice to people of color, people living with disabilities, people of a lower socioeconomic status, unheard victims of sexual assault and many others.

"I decided to participate in this march, not only for myself as an expression of the frustrations that I've been made aware of regarding gender equality in health care, job opportunity, sexual assault cases, etc. but also, and perhaps more importantly, for all of those who were not born with the same immense privilege as I was," Schlesinger said.

"In my opinion it is extremely important for all who participated to remember our collective voices may have been heard, but there is always someone who has been silenced more."

For student Abby Schott, the movement was a public showing of solidarity among women to fight for what they believe in, whatever that may be.

"I think it is important for everyone to march to affirm that solidarity for equality. It is not a race or a gender thing; it is literally everyone caring for the well-being of everyone," Schott said.

Both Schott and Schlesinger said the day was filled with inspiration, strength, and support.

"I witnessed more diversity than typically seen in Iowa along with unparalleled love and acceptance. This march served as an outlet for a wide range of diverse people demanding justice. While I may have boundless opportunities in life, I do not fail to see the inequity that thrives in this

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Withers named top keynote speaker by consultant company

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Dr. William Withers, professor of journalism and communication at Wartburg College, was recently named one of the hottest event keynote speakers for 2017 by a West Des Moines consulting company.

Other than Withers, some notable names on the list include: athlete and HIV survivor Magic Johnson and panelists like Barbara Corcoran and Kevin O'Leary from the hit TV show "Shark Tank."

"It took me by surprise after that blog post and that recognition came out," Withers said.

Besides his recognizable Hawaiian shirts, Withers said he thinks his appeal comes from his tactics as well as his lack of having fame qualities to sell to his audiences.

"I'm not an author or a movie star. I don't wear a super bowl ring. I don't have anything to sell but ideas. I give intellectual property away for free," Withers said.

Withers said he tries to focus on how to engage an audience through visuals, gestures, and humor.

"I bring a lot of passion, urgency and energy to everything I try to do," Withers said, "I think that's what makes it different from other people who just go up to give a talk and read off notes."

Sakhi Mphahlele, one of Withers' advisees, said he noticed his amount of enthusiasm in his teaching.

"I thought that he set an environment which created a lot of captivity from the students to him teaching. Whenever he taught a lesson he spoke with lots of passion and dedication to the subject," Mphahlele said.

Dr. Wither's said his Hawaiian shirts are just one reason he believes he stands out to his audience members. — **Submitted photo**

"People always wonder how I have time to do this, but my students at Wartburg come first," Withers said, "I never let these opportunities interfere with my teaching."

"I work hard and I practice a lot," Withers said. "I don't know that I'm any good, I just know that it seems to work."

Withers said he will continue to use his tactics in his classrooms at Wartburg to help the college grow through a variety of teaching strategies.

"If you can live with the Hawaiian shirt you are probably going to have a good session with me," Withers said.

Continuing the Lutheran legacy at Wartburg College

Students, faculty and community members celebrate 500th anniversary of Protestant Reformation

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This year, Wartburg College is celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation.

Ramona Bouzard

The Reformation dates back to Oct. 31, 1517 when Martin Luther posted his "95 Theses" on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenburg, Germany.

Over the past few months, the Reformation Committee, co-chaired by Dr. Kathryn Kleinhans and the Rev. Dr. Ramona Bouzard developed a list of events to celebrate the work of Martin Luther and the many influential men and women who followed him.

"The time of the reformation and Martin Luther and his work was seminal. It was just so forming as far as the changes that were occurring in Western society. Up until that point in time, in terms of religion and spiritual life, people were not literate, so everything they understood from scripture was from someone telling them," Bouzard said.

"Luther really was not breaking away from the Roman Catholic Church, he was trying to renew it, but then all of these things converged as part of it. His real focus was on educating and helping people think theologically and about God on their own," she said

Bouzard also acknowledged Luther's impact on higher education, and therefore the Reformation's importance to the education students receive at Wartburg and how it aligns with the College's mission.

"His heritage became part of the heritage of Lutheran higher education because it was about educating people for doing their work in the world in a way that they brought their faith with them."

Displayed on the front of the Vogel Library are two large banners designed specifically for the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

Josh Peterson, graphic designer for Marketing & Communication at Wartburg, developed a graphic theme for the Reformation.

"The need for a design/logo was brought to my attention by my boss Chris Knudson, the Interim Senior Director of Marketing & Communication. Chris tasked me with developing a look for the celebration, featuring Luther and the Wartburg Castle, and the phrase, '500 Years of Reformation: Continuing the Lutheran Legacy,'" Peterson said.

Peterson described the chosen design as strongly vertical, with a few hidden themes and messages in it.

"Most obvious is the abstract portrait of Luther, looking forward, based off Lucas Cranach's painting (1582). Behind him is a tower of the Wartburg Castle, also with a split in tone. The left representing the past and the right representing the growth of knowledge and impact of his legacy," Peterson added.

The goal for the organized celebration of the Reformation was to celebrate not just this growth and the changes and ideas, but that faith has changed and strengthened and become a part of people's lives in a different way, Bouzzard said.

"As it is the 500 anniversary this year, we are also doing a program review for the Department of Spiritual Life and Campus Ministry.

"This is our way of saying how do we enter into this new time in a way that isn't just responding into everyday stuff but also asking how we can better serve students in their faith expression, etc." Bouzard said.

Bouzard said the last program review of the department was 10 years ago.

Bouzard said one of the things the committee did was look at some of the things already happening on campus that could be enhanced with talk of the Reformation, as opposed to putting together a whole slate of new activities.

"We kept thinking about how to engage students in this and it's so hard to know because there's so much on students' schedules. We figured if we could infuse it into things students are already doing, and then they will be able to celebrate in a way that has integrity for who they are," Bouzard added.

This year there will be a German film series with some emphasis as well as a concert by the chamber orchestra which will feature music from the time period of the Reformation.

There will also be a May term course with Kleinhans that will tour some places in Germany, as well as several other events throughout the year.

"We will also have a hymn festival tied into our Reformation celebration as a community on Oct. 31, which is the day the Reformation actually took place 500 years ago.

"We're hoping that the college will basically shut down and give the Wartburg community to join together to hear Luther's words and give us the chance to sing and celebrate. We're also hoping to do this as a simulcast with a Lutheran church in Germany," Bouzard said.

For a complete list of updated events visit www.wartburg.edu/reformation. Events will continue to be added and updated as changes occur throughout the year.

The Reformation banners were hung on Vogel Library to replace Transforming Tomorrow. — **Rochelle Beardsley**/*TRUMPET*

Celebrating Luther's Legacy in 2017

- German Film Series
- Bach's Lunch Organ Series
- Graven Award Ceremony
- VIP Alumni Tour of Germany: In the Footsteps of Martin Luther Celebrating 500 Years of the Reformation
- May Term Course Abroad, 2017
- Reformation Then and Now
- Reformation Alumni Tour
- Hymn Festival and Reformation Celebration

Updated list of events at http://www.wartburg.edu/reformation

In order to recognize the importance of Martin Luther's contributions to the Christian faith and higher education, there are several events scheduled throughout the year. Each event will celebrate the Reformation and the ideas that originated from that time period in a unique, interactive format. — **Brett Schwickerath**/*TRUMPET*

Professors Brian and Judith Jones choose new career path

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Dr. Brian Jones and Rev. Dr. Judith Jones will be retiring from Wartburg College at the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

Judith Jones

Brian Jones

Judith Jones said this decision has been in the works since last spring. One of the main reasons the two decided to leave Wartburg was to be closer to family.

"My parents… they are in their upper 80s now and currently I only get to see them about once a year," Judith Jones said. She said some of their siblings live on the West coast as well.

Judith Jones will be working as a priest at two Episcopal congregations. She said she is excited about working with these congregations because they are actively involved in their communities and represent qualities of religion that are appealing to her.

Brian Jones currently does not have work lined up in Oregon. He said he is unsure if he wants to continue teaching because he might want a change of pace. He said there are a few options for him in Oregon.

"It's kind of a leap into the dark for me," Brian Jones said.

The Jones' have been working at Wartburg since the fall of 2000 when they were hired for one shared titled line with a possibility to turn into a tenure track position.

In their time here the Jones' took over almost all of the Literature of the Old & New Testament, or RE 101, courses and taught multiple upper level religion courses.

Brian Jones said he teaches around 75 students a semester in all his classes. Sulibeth Velez took RE 101 with Brian Jones and she said she enjoyed taking his class because he challenged her to read and understand the Bible text.

Brian Jones said he and his wife also advise between 12 and 14 students during the school year.

Daniel Volkmann, one of Judith Jones' advisees, said she has been helpful to him in his academics and she has made him feel prepared for life after college.

He said the thing he will miss most is her sense of humor.

"The departure of two valued colleagues…constitutes a personal grief and a loss for the department," Rev. Dr. Chip Bouzard said.

Brian Jones said the biggest challenge the religion department will face after they leave is finding someone to help teach sections of RE 101.

He said his wife's position is incredibly important in the department because she is the only New Testament professor.

Rev. Dr. Judith Jones and her husband Dr. Brian Jones both teach sections of the introductory Religion course, RE 101 as well as other upper level courses. — **Jordan Thomas**/*TRUMPET*

"The challenge will be to find people in a difficult time economically… to offer all of the classes," Brian Jones said.

Bouzard said he has been told it is unlikely both full time positions will be replaced but the department has filed a request to fill a position.

The Jones' said the things they will miss about Wartburg are the staff and the students. They said Wartburg's students are great and their colleagues are not only good professors but also great people to work with.

"It's been a great place to make friends and to enjoy life," Brian Jones said.

Vogel Library to lose a familiar face

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After four years as Wartburg's library director Curtis Brundy will be leaving Wartburg College to take a job in the library at Iowa State University. — **Rochelle Beardsley** */TRUMPET*

Curtis Brundy, librarian and Director of Vogel Library since 2013, is leaving his position at Wartburg to take on a new position at Iowa State University.

Brundy will be an administrator at the library at Iowa State.

His title will be Associate University Librarian for Collections and Scholarly Communication.

Brundy said he will oversee technical services, collections, and the library's scholarly communication program. He is confident in his decision to make the job change.

"There were several reasons, both personal and professional. It is a great opportunity to work at a research library that is involved with issues I care a lot about," Brundy said.

Brundy said he will be involved with topics like the preservation of print collections, scholarly communication, and open access.

"It will be exciting and new for me to work at a research library that is part of a land grant university," Brundy said.

Brundy and his coworkers are able to look back on his time here and point out the positive moments.

Ashley McHose currently works with Brundy in The Vogel Library.

McHose said that she will miss the cohesive vision and enthusiasm Brundy brings to the library team.

"He has made many positive changes throughout Vogel Library to better meet student needs and he truly excels at unifying our department," McHose said.

Brundy reached out to students during his time here, including Blake Shipman.

A few years back Brundy went to the Student Senate and wanted to create a student led board to provide feedback on how to improve the library.

"Curtis created my position. I work with the library staff and collect feedback from other students on different aspects of the library," Shipman said.

Brundy has had a long history of working in libraries and working with people.

Brundy said that the initial spark came from his interest in learning and his enjoyment in working with people.

"I have always spent a lot of time in libraries. I worked in the library when I was an undergraduate. It is a place where I feel comfortable." Brundy said.

Brundy said that he agrees strongly with the position libraries have staked out around equitable access to information, intellectual freedom, and resistance to censorship.

"Librarianship aligns with my values," Brundy said. "It lets me earn a living while also doing what I consider to be good work."

Brundy said that a big part of what he does is outreach to the library's stakeholders, primarily faculty and staff.

"I oversee Vogel library and its staff. I manage the budget and library facility. I hire and evaluate personnel and I help set the vision and priorities for the library," Brundy said.

Along with his short commute, Brundy said he will miss his friends and colleagues here at Wartburg.

"Wartburg has been a supportive and good place to work," Brundy said.

"I will miss his drive. Curtis has some great ideas that he has implemented in the library to make it a better place. In his time at Wartburg the library has only grown and thrived," Shipman said.

Even though Brundy is moving on, the library plans to keep moving forward.

"As with other departments seeking to fill positions, we will await approval to hire for the position opening and then begin the hiring process," McHose said.

"I am not sure about how the library will proceed without Curtis, but he has set us up for success with the procedures he will be leaving behind," Shipman said.

Men, women and children bonded at the state capitol Saturday to march for equality. According to the Des Moines Register, other cities across Iowa including Iowa City, Dubuque, Decorah and Fairfield held sister marches as well. — **Submitted Photo**

Marching in Des Moines

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nation," Schlesinger said.

Trygve Anderson, another Wartburg student who attended the march, said he decided to participate for his sister and mother, who he said are some of the strongest, most brilliant people in his life.

"The women's march to me is for not only the advancement of women, but the advancement of all the people in society who are cast into the shadows and whose voices are taken from them. It is to make us as a nation stronger and allow the people who have been stomped on to rise," Anderson said.

"The importance of these events, especially this one, is of unmeasurable importance. All students, adults and children who see these injustices facing our society should participate in these events and protests. These events are about building a better future for ourselves and our children."

Boss said the mood was resolute, but positive and festive, punctuated by many pink hats.

"Usually, when you're looking for someone in a huge crowd, a bright pink hat is an easy way to find them - but not on Saturday. And the fact that there was not a single arrest across all of the hundreds of marches and the millions of people participating across the nation is testament to what this was about: not negativity and anger, but support for moving forward toward peace and justice," Boss said.

Survilla said such a movement offers the chance to be engaged, to articulate values and concerns, and to offer strength through solidarity.

She said it also offers us the chance to learn about the experiences of others whose lives and struggles are not in our daily view and we become participants rather than passive critics in the political and social life of our communities.

"For me, the march becomes a way of knowing that one has a voice and can choose to use it and, that in doing so, one does not have to stand alone. I feel it is important to experience such events as a way to contribute, but also as a powerful opportunity to learn," Survilla said.

Survilla admitted she got teary eyed during the march as well.

"I was deeply moved by so many aspects of what I saw and heard: the fathers who held their children above the crowd, the men and women of all ages and backgrounds and the incredible politeness, respect and acceptance of so many concerns and viewpoints."

Meistersinger hosts hundreds on campus

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Dr. Lee Nelson conducts over 200 students during Meistersinger Honor Choir rehearsal Sunday evening. Wartburg students house the students overnight for the event.. — **Rochelle Beardsley**/*TRUMPET*

Every year, Wartburg's music programs opened their facilities to some of Iowa's finest student musicians.

The honor choir event was held yesterday and today and included participants from 82 high schools with nearly 400 singers.

Lee Nelson, the director of choral activities and associate professor in music, said the festival is a unique experience.

"Meistersinger is an audition high school choral festival that provides for an exemplary learning and performing experience for singers," Nelson said.

Nelson said in order to attend this event, high school students require a nomination from their instructors before being officially chosen by Wartburg choral faculty.

While the Meistersinger music events provide "mountain top musical experiences," it also provides benefits for the Wartburg students as well as the college's music programs, Nelson said.

"It is a tremendous recruitment opportunity for the college and provides an outstanding educational experience for the Wartburg students," Nelson said.

This event is planned by Wartburg's music education students who also rehearse with the high school singers and interact with featured master composers

This year, the guest composer was Jake Runestad, who is internationally known.

Along with the opportunity to be taught by professionals, students who attend are able to experience the life of a Wartburg student by spending a night in the dorms with a host.

Weston Krug attended the Meistersinger honor band event for three of his four years in high school, and is now a Wartburg student and musician.

"While on campus, I was always treated as if I were somebody that the students cared about and wanted to see in the program. It felt like I was beginning my journey as a member of the Wartburg College Concert Band family," Krug said.

Krug said that having the high school students stay on campus with a Wartburg host allows them to better understand what daily activities at Wartburg are like.

Krug said this event helped in the process of looking for and choosing a college.

"I learned the meaning of music in my life, the way music can change the lives of others," Krug said.

Stephen Klaassen agreed these events can be a life-changing experience for young students.

"It really opens their eyes, not only to the college music community, but also to the importance of music in their lives and the lives of others," Klaassen said.

Krug said he attributes his overnight experiences and love for Wartburg to the hospitable hosts throughout his years in the honor band, and hopes to do the same for high school students as a Wartburg musician. Krug is hosting three students for the upcoming Meistersinger honor band event held on Feb. 4 and 5.

Krug said he hopes that the Wartburg College Concert Band is able to make a difference in the life of even one of its guests.

"It certainly made a difference in mine," Krug said.

College Calendar

Monday Jan. 23:
Weekday Chapel, 10:15 a.m.
Journalism & Comm. Visit Day
Meistersinger Honor Choir

Tuesday Jan. 24:
Diversity Inclusion Training, 10:30
Faculty Meeting, 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday Jan. 25:
Interfaith Chapel, 10:15 a.m.
Candlelight Dinner, 6:30 p.m.
Sanctuary, 9 p.m.

Thursday Jan. 26:
Keep on Learning, 9:30 a.m.
Lunar New Year Dinner, 5:15 p.m.
Game Knights, 7 p.m.

Friday Jan. 27:
Weekday Chapel, 10:15 a.m.

Saturday Jan. 28:
IMTA Piano Contest

Sunday Jan. 29:
Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Knights of Wartburg

Rose Schroeder

Second-year music therapy and music education major from Prior Lake, Minnesota.
Campus involvement: Kantorei, St. Elizabeth's Chorale, Theatre, Catholic Knights, and anything else I can do.

Pet Peeve:

When people insult themselves. It just makes me sad because every one is awesome. So I want people to believe it and love who they are.

Favorite Movie:

I cry during every movie I see and normally I fall asleep too. Maybe "Tangled" or "Good Will Hunting."

Favorite Class:

I love my practicum and field experience classes where I get to go do what I want to be doing.

Asian or American food:

I'm not very good with spicy food and I haven't had a chance to have authentic Asian food so I'll have to go with American food until I try more.

Superhero Power:

I'd like to be able to have healing power like from "Tangled." The glowing hair and singing would be cool too.

Dream Location:

I want to work with soldiers with PTSD and inmates in prison with music therapy and music education. Wherever they put me, I'll be happy.

Siblings:

I have four siblings. Two older brothers and two younger sisters.

Burg Blurbs

Be inspired. Today is a new day. #Happy

Struggled so hard to get traction in one part of campus that I resorted to crawling.

I may be a lot of things, but quiet ain't one. #WhyIMarch

We are marching for equality, for justice, for the rights of all women and girls.

What a pleasure to welcome young scientists to our Cedar Valley Science Symposium.

Burg Blurbs are compiled from Twitter, Facebook and Yik Yak.

Love and respect all

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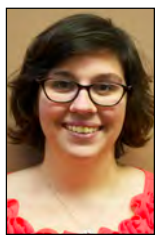

A lot has been happening in the world that may make it seem like a big and scary place.

While, it is a big and scary place, it doesn't have to be full of hate.

When I log onto social media I see people complaining about President Trump as well as people being afraid to live.

When I turn on the TV, I see shows like Saturday Night Live poking fun at these frights, but bringing up good arguments.

The nation is afraid.

What we need is to love and respect each other, no matter who it is.

Just because you're a Christian doesn't mean you can't eat lunch with a Muslim.

Republicans can go to the movies with Democrats.

Men can do homework with women.

If the world was full of love and respect for others, then we wouldn't have hate and war.

But we all know hate and war is a part of humankind and world peace is just a hope we can work for.

However, we can start right here at Wartburg.

We can make "Iowa nice" a national thing.

Wave and smile at somebody on your way to class.

I had somebody help me on the ice the other day and it basically made my entire day just a little better.

Take the "nice" from campus and start taking it into the community, then back home.

Eventually it will become expected and we will be changing the world.

Eventually it will become the standard and we can know it began here.

This past weekend, many of our sisters, mothers, friends and professors marched around the world to stand up for their rights as women.

Don't degrade them or call them stupid.

Instead, ask why they marched and truly listen to their reasons.

It's scary in the world in general, but to be a woman in the world may be worse.

It is still OK to enslave women in some countries.

In our own country, men in Congress think it's OK to tell us what to do with our own bodies.

These women marched this weekend to show women are strong and equal in all senses.

It may or may not have anything to do with President Trump.

The world is changing fast and our country will begin to change even faster under a new administration.

We need to remember it is OK to be scared and get mad every now and then.

We also need to remember it is not OK to get mad at people that have different beliefs. We are one race and we should act like it.

I want people to know even though you may not know me and I may not wear a safety pin and I may be a Democrat, that you can talk to me.

I am a safe place on campus and can help you find other safe places.

View from the West

—**Brett Schwickerath**/*TRUMPET*

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I remember walking through campus the first time and hearing one of the orientation staff talk about her experience at Wartburg West.

It was one of the many opportunities that students kept sharing and promoting.

So I knew my freshman year I had to put that on my "Wartburg Bucket List."

I have to admit, I was not nervous about coming to Denver because living in Chicago has helped me adjust to city life, with the constant noise at night, transportation system and overall "busy" life.

However, I was more ready to find myself and figure out who Maya is.

Coming to Waverly has helped a lot with finding myself, but when you have to live in apartment, cook your own food, get to your internship have time for yourself, plus be a student, well the only difference is the location.

Classes as usual are classes with high intensity homework, but instead of just being in the classroom, my class gets to go out and put into action what we learn.

That helps me a lot because I am more of a hands-on person.

I have learned how to go to your local legislator and ask several questions about why they chose to be in charge of a bill that they wanted to see pass, I have been to an organization called "Together Colorado" and heard testimonies of families who lost their loved ones in police brutality and much more.

Furthermore, my internship is one of the many reasons why Wartburg is #worthit, because I get to work with my former adviser Travis Bockenstedt.

I could go on and on about my experience here at Wartburg West, but I think students need to for a semester, summer or May term come out to Denver and understand what living in an urban city is like.

It allows you to branch out of yourself and explore and try new things. You learn what living like an adult is truly like and overall you meet amazing people along the way.

Maya Weatherall (right) is interning with Wartburg alumni at Wartburg West this semester. —**Submitted photo**

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Diversity on Campus

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Wartburg College is providing international and domestic students with the opportunity to integrate through the International Student and Global Connections organizations.

According to the International Club web page on Wartburg's website, the organization aims to promote better understanding between American and International Students, assist International students in adjusting to the culture and introduce foreign cultures to the community.

Josh Voigt, an active member in both the organizations, said the people involved are working to improve relationships among all students.

"The international group likes to bring people together to create an understanding of each other," Voigt said.

"The majority of what I-Club does is focused around getting people to socialize, to simply talk to each other," Voigt said.

Voigt said he believes that organizations like I-Club are a good start, but there are still some prevalent issues on campus.

"I think one of the issues is that we as ourselves stick to an international group. We don't always have the opportunity to integrate, but some people don't want to," Voigt said.

"From what I've seen, people on this campus like to stick to their comfort zones," he said.

Voigt and another international student, Hasan Muhammad, said they believe encouraging discussion and getting to know people will help solve these issues.

"This is the key to finding a solution," Muhammad said.

"People need to share beliefs and opinions."

"Most importantly they need to listen. This will create understanding between our community members," he said.

Voigt said, as an organization, Global Connections is going to be one of the more influential programs when it comes to diversity because of the way it is creating connections.

"Global Connections works to pair an international and domestic student together to meet on occasion and get to know each other," Voigt said.

"You talk about things and you go do activities together. You get to learn about another person and his or her values and culture," Voigt said.

" It isn't always deep discussions, either. What makes it great is the everyday conversation that can occur," he said.

Muhammad said he sees diversity at Wartburg, but he doesn't feel it's effects.

"Wartburg has many races, beliefs, and nationalities present on campus, but there is a lack of integration," Muhammad said.

"We need to accept this diversity and embrace it," he added.

Voigt said he encourages everyone to participate in any opportunities to learn more about other cultures in hopes that this will assist in the process of integration.

"You see a lot of people who say they want to travel and see the world but the first step you can take to learning about the world is by getting to know the people from the places you want to go," Voigt said.

Voigt said people don't generally think the way people from outside of their culture or society think, but if they can try, Wartburg campus could see some positive improvements.

"As much as you might not agree with someone or have different beliefs, it doesn't mean you can't get along," Voigt said.

"Understanding that not everyone is the same is a great place to start," he said.

For more on this story, visit wartburgcircuit.org

Wartburg celebrates Martin Luther King Jr.

Students and faculty members volunteer on Wartburg campus to promote servant leadership

Wartburg College had many events cancelled for MLK Day because of an ice storm, but several others during the week continued as scheduled, including Blankets of Love, The Outlet and a sermon by Nucleus Johnson. The Outlet gave people inside and outside the community a chance to use their voices. —**Rochelle Beardsley***/TRUMPET*

New art exhibit features Luther College graduates

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Byron Anway's 'Maggie' displayed in the exhibit is one of his favorites, as there is ambiguity in the piece.—**Submitted artwork**

Wartburg College's Waldemar A. Schmidt Gallery exhibit "Sexy/ OFFENDER" opened Jan. 9 and exhibits artwork from Byron Anway and Ben Moore, Johanna Kramer-Weston, Gallery Director and Exhibitions manager said.

Kramer-Weston said the two collaborated for the exhibit because they share a fascination of classical portraiture in the age of Facebook, Snapchat and selfies. She said they pull their inspiration from magazines, criminal mugshots and media websites.

"All portraits are handled with the same beauty and attention, causing the viewer to question who is the deviant, who is the social media star and who is the average Joe," Kramer-Weston said.

Anway said the two decided to collaborate after discussing with each other different projects they were working on.

Moore was working on mug shots and Anway was toying with the idea of making portraits of registered sex offenders.

Together, they created a packet about their exhibit and sent it out to all the private colleges in Iowa and Minnesota, as well as some state schools.

Kramer-Weston said the exhibit was chosen because the ideas and themes featured are unique and timely.

The two artists met when Anway was visiting Luther College during high school and Moore was attending the college. Anway said the two began as students, which turned into being professional contacts.

"Building and maintaining a group of personal contacts that you relate to or have similar ideas with, it's one of the hardest and most important things an artist can do,""Anway said.

He said cultivating relationships helps keeps his practice vibrant and helps him connect with people his age who have the same ideas.

After Moore graduated, Anway said he would come back to Luther and meet with their professor and other students to discuss graduate schools, as Moore was attending the University of Iowa.

Moore is now an associate professor at Luther College and Anway teaches at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, University of Nebraska-Omaha and Nebraska Wesleyan.

The exhibit features oil paint, graphic and linocut prints.

Anway said one of his favorites is titled "Maggie" and is a portrait of his wife's sister.

It looks like it could be an online dating picture or a mugshot, Anway said.

"I feel like I found this funny ambiguity in the middle on that painting where it feels the most contemporary," Anway said.

Moore was not able to comment during the time of this article, as he is studying abroad with students for Luther's J-Term.

An exhibition reception will be held Feb. 10 from 5-7 p.m. after a lecture by the two artists at 4 p.m.

"The artists will discuss their inspirations, talk about how they came to collaborate with one another and will take questions from the audience," Kramer-Weston said.

The exhibit is open until Feb. 12 from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. daily.

College performs 'Guys and Dolls'

Students performed the musical 'Guys and Dolls' on Jan. 20 and 21. The musical is normally in March, but was moved due to Wartburg Choir being selected to perform at the American Choral Directors Association being held then. Students rehearsed twice a week during the Fall Term to prepare the musical. They came back after the break to practice before performing. —**Rochelle Beardsley***/TRUMPET*

Resumé Must Haves

- Current and past work experience
- Organizations and extracurriculars
- Volunteer experience
- Education background
- Relevant courses

—**Brett Schwickerath***/TRUMPET*

LinkedIn creates connections for students and alumni

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It might be time to dust off your LinkedIn profile. According to an article by Digital Marketing Magazine, the social media platform has been growing as companies and businesses start to develop their presence on LinkedIn.

Many recruiters are starting to use the site to search for new job candidates.

Students, such as senior Alex Gheysens, are using the site to apply for jobs and internships.

"I know a lot of employers today ask for a LinkedIn profile," he said.

"It's good to already have one so you can just add it to your application instead of having to work on it every time you apply for a job."

Although Gehysens has not landed a job or internship from LinkedIn, he has heard back from employers on the site and made some new connections.

Connections like these are why chemistry professor Dr. Matthew Zart encourages his capstone students to make a profile.

"It's not just having an account. It's all how you use it."

— Dr. Zart

Zart said networking online makes students feel more comfortable while looking for jobs and reaching out to employers.

"You can begin to very pointedly target areas, professions and make contacts," he said.

"Most of the time people that have the same alma mater tend to be very friendly on the front end," he said.

Zart said with it easier to make the initial connection, it can lead somewhere for students, whether it be a job, internship or a professional connection.

He does not require his students to make a profile, but he believes if used correctly, having a LinkedIn account can give students an edge.

"If you learn how to use the tools, it can be an advantage," he said.

"But it's not just having an account. It's all how you use it."

Recent alumna Molly Schmitt knew how to make the most of her account.

The grad just started a job in Kansas City, Missouri with Dairy Farmers of America.

She found the position through LinkedIn.

Schmitt said she applied for the position a couple days after she saw it posted on the site.

A feature on LinkedIn allowed her to apply quickly.

"I signed up for the email alerts," she said.

"It allows you to select what states you want to work in and what positions you're looking for," she said.

"It's very tailored for each person."

Unlike many students, Schmitt created her profile in high school.

She did not use it much then, but once she was a sophomore in college she started using it more frequently.

She believes updating your profile regularly attracts employers.

"I think it hurts you more to have a profile that isn't up to date," she said.

"I'd rather see someone not have a profile than someone with an out of date one."

To continually improve her profile, she frequently updates her page with her work experience, internships and skills.

She also uploads samples of her work and her current resume.

Gheysens said on his profile he adjusts his summary and work experience regularly.

He also updates his volunteer experience, something he believes many employers are looking for.

"It really shows what you're passionate about and what drives you, rather than just jobs you've done for credit or money," he said.

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Jake Thumann named All-American

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One swing of a bat, four bases, and a loud reaction from the crowd. It's yet another home run for Wartburg slugger, and now preseason All-American, Jake Thumann.

Thumann in his fourth and final year as a member of the Wartburg Knights baseball team and he said although it is a special honor to get the selection, he attributes the selection to the team more than he does himself.

"It's great to get that individual recognition, but for me it's more of a product of what coaches have done for me."

— Jake Thumann

Jake Thumann has been named a pre-season All-American and is in the top ten for Wartburg homeruns.—**Marketing & Communication**

"It's great to get that individual recognition, but for me it's more of a product of what coaches have done for me, what the team has meant to me, and the hard work that I've put in too," Thumann said.

Coming off a year in which he hit .355 and led the Iowa Conference in home runs, Thumann has been selected as Second-team preseason All-American by d3baseball.com.

Thumann is the first Knights' player to be selected to the preseason squad since Ryan Powers in 2014.

Teammate and fellow senior, Michael Knouse, holds Thumann in high regard and said he works hard and is a great teammate.

"Over our four years together, I've always thought of Thu as a good leader, a good friend, and a fierce competitor," Knouse said.

Thumann said he goes into every day with the mindset that he is not trying to help himself, but to help the team and he has learned a lot over the years from older players and from other captains.

Although Thumann has been looked at as a leader throughout his career, head coach Joel Holst said he has taken on an even bigger leadership role this year.

"You'll see him in the weight room doing things separate from the team workouts and we just have our young guys take a look at him in terms of what you need to be doing on a consistent basis,

For his career, Thumann sits in the top ten all-time in Wartburg baseball history in home runs, doubles and slugging percentage, while his twelve home runs in 2016 were the second most ever hit by a Knights' batter in a single season.

A career .355 hitter, Thumann has always been a big player for the Knights and Holst said he has been a terrific player in the program in terms of work ethic, putting extra work in and always doing the right thing.

Wartburg will begin regular season play on Feb. 27 when the team travels down Auburndale, Florida for their annual Central Florida Tournament over Winter Break and Thumann is ready for the start of the new season.

He said the team needs to peak at the right time.

He said the team seemed to almost get tired during the postseason tournaments the past two years.

Wartburg has won back to back Iowa Conference regular season titles, but lost in the championship of each the last two conference tournaments.

Wartburg's new partnership

Athletics see new 5 year deal with Nike and BSN SPORTS

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Last Tuesday, Wartburg College Athletics announced a new department-wide apparel and sporting goods partnership with Nike and BSN SPORTS.

As part of the agreement, both Nike and BSN SPORTS will provide apparel, footwear and equipment for training and game-day uniforms for all of Wartburg's varsity programs.

Athletic Director Rick Willis suggested there may be other opportunities for the college as well as the partnership is further developed.

Talk of a deal between Wartburg, Nike and BSN SPORTS originated several months ago and was explored by a committee throughout the 2016 fall semester.

Willis said he as well as the rest of the department are excited for the new partnership.

"This partnership allows our athletic department to strengthen our brand, save costs, and provide our student-athletes with the best gear in the industry," Willis said.

Nike is one of the world's largest suppliers of athletic shoes and apparel and is a major manufacturer of sports equipment.

Founded in 1972 as a factory-direct equipment company, BSN SPORTS has grown to become the largest distributor of team sports apparel and equipment in the United States.

Unlike other Wartburg athletic teams, the women's basketball team has worn nike uniforms in the past. —**Trumpet file photo**

"We are happy to be the official supplier to Wartburg College Athletics and proud to be their partner in growing the performance and impact of their athletics program. We will work hard to ensure they are supplied with the superior products and exceptional service they have grown to rely on," said Kurt Hagen, Executive Vice President of Sales and Marketing at BSN SPORTS, in a press release sent out on Jan. 18.

Though these are several Varsity athletic teams who wear different brands, including Wartburg Track & Field, Women's Lacrosse, Women's Softball and Men's and Women's Tennis, according to Willis, the five-year deal takes effect immediately.

"We understand it will take some time before all teams have cycled through to new uniforms, so while the deal is effective immediately, it likely won't be fully incorporated for a couple years," Willis said.

Wartburg wins Henkenius Open

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Wartburg Men and Women's Indoor Track and Field both won the Henkenius Open on Saturday. The women won ten events, totaling to 267 points, while the men won eight events, giving them 223.5 points.

For men, the 1000m run was won by Casey Roberts, the 3000m by Bennet Moser and the 5000m by Lee Scott.

Jerry Frawley won the mile. Nathan Keck won the triple jump and the team also won the 4x200m relay and the 4x400m relay team of Levi Dolphin, Cody Snider, John Crew and Alex Herzog had a time of 3:27.28.

At press time Moser's time is 10th on the DIII leader list for the season. The Distance Medley Relay's time is 11th best with 10:49:34.

For the women, the 60m dash was won by Becca Cherry, the 600m run by Kaitlyn Muhlenbruch and the 1000m run by Dakota Tell, who also won the mile. Beth Mallon won the 3000m run, Ashlyn Bagge won the 5000m run and Sam Holtz won weight throw.

The team also won the 4x200m relay and the 4x400m relay team of Belle Tyynismaa, Teylor Jones, Bri Dellamuth and Elizabeth Duehr had a time of 4:00.74.The women's Distance Medley Relay's time was 12:56.65

At press time Cherry's time ranks sixth-best on the DIII leader list for the season and Bagge's time is seventh-best.

The 4x400 time ranks fourth-best and the second team's time follows in fifth. The Distance Medley Relay time is ninth-best.

The next meet will take place at UNI Friday.

Knights split games on road

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Assistant Coach Jason Steege guides the men's basketball team during the season. The men are now 12-6 overall and 4-5 in conference play. —**Marketing & Communication**

An up and down week for the Wartburg Knights Men's Basketball team resulted in a 1-1 record with a 73-66 win over Luther on Wednesday and a 98-85 loss to Nebraska Wesleyan on Saturday.

Both games took place away from Levick Arena and each showcased different problems for the Knights.

On Wednesday, Wartburg was without leading scorer, Jordan Cannon, who was out with a concussion. Without Cannon in the lineup, the offense really struggled to find consistent ways to generate points.

Cannon is one of those players that can score in almost any situation and can be looked to for points down the stretch in isolation and late shot clock situations.

The Knights felt his absence in the first half, shooting under 30-percent and trailing by 11 points at the halftime break.

Halftime adjustments were essential to a much improved second half from Wartburg. Guards Nate Woeste, Sawyer Herman and Nick Webber had big scoring performances in the later parts of the game. The trio combined for 25 second half points while Herman and Woeste each hit a pair of threes in the closing minutes to help complete the comeback.

Wartburg outscored Luther by 18 points in the second half, mostly through improved shooting and taking care of the ball, only having three turnovers in the second half.

Saturday's game in Lincoln, Nebraska was a completely different story for the Knights. The biggest story of the game was Webber being the second player on this year's team to join the 1,000 Point Club with a layup early in the first half.

Wartburg also got Cannon back for the contest and both he and Webber put up great numbers offensively, each finishing with 23 points. Jaran Sabus and Nate Woeste also finished in double digit scoring with 11 and 12 respectively.

The scoring outbusts from the two senior guards were not enough, however, as the Prairie Wolves received big scoring outputs of their own from Cooper Cook, Deion Wells-Ross and Nate Schimonitz who led all scorers with 27 points.

Nebraska Wesleyan consistently found holes in the Knights defense and were able to take advantage by driving or passing to players cutting to the rim.

In a game that was fairly even across the board, one of the biggest differences in stats was in the amount of turnovers.

Wartburg finished with 16 while the Prairie Wolves only had eight.

Nebraska Wesleyan also won the points off turnovers battle 20-13.

The turnovers turned into fast break opportunities for the Prairie Wolves and they more than took advantage.

The game was tied 43-43 at halftime, but Nebraska Wesleyan was just too strong offensively for Wartburg to keep up with in the second half.

After the week, Wartburg's record is currently 12-6 (4-5).

The women's basketball team fell to Luther on Wednesday for their first conference loss of the season.

The Norse defeated the Knights 26-12 in the final seconds to take the 66-61 victory.

Kristie Sommer led the game with 17 points for the Knights, with five three pointers.

Katie Sommer followed with five assists and 15 points.

The eighth-ranked Wartburg women's basketball team brought home yet another win on Saturday, after travelling to Lincoln, Nebraska to take on the newest member of the Iowa Conference, the Nebraska Wesleyan Prairie Wolves.

The Knights beat the P-Wolves by a score of 61-50, riding primarily on the performances of juniors Aryn Jones and Kristie Sommer.

Jones went off for 14 points, five rebounds, and four blocked shots, while not committing a single foul.

Sommer scored 16 points on four of eight shooting from three-point range and going a perfect four for four from the free throw line.

The win improves the women's team to 16-2 (8-1 in conference play).

The two teams' next contest comes this Wednesday at home against the Coe Kohawks, who knocked the women out of the IIAC tournament the last time they came to Levick.

Tipoff is set for 6 p.m. for the Women, with a men's game to follow at 8 p.m.

Wrestling goes 3-0 at IIAC duals

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Connor Campo wrestles against Nebraska Wesleyan. The Knights are now 17-0 overall after more wins during the weekend and 6-0 in the IIAC conference. —**Rochelle Beardsley**/*TRUMPET*

The top-ranked Knights wrestling team is 17-0 overall and 6-0 in the IIAC after last week.

The Black and Orange took on Nebraska Wesleyan on Wednesday and younger wrestlers were given the chance to compete.

Connor Cleveland, Jon Junk and Trevor McLaughlin made their varsity dual debuts, all winning their matches at 125, 157 and 165 respectively.

Cleveland moved his winning streak to six, along with Cross Cannone, who now has 18 wins. Kyle Fank, Kenny Martin and Tyler Lutes also added to their winning streaks. Martin came out of the dual with a winning streak of 21, dating back to last season.

The Knights' win moved their winning streak to 49 matches and gave them their 191 winning streak against IIAC opponents as they headed into duals on Saturday.

In Dubuque the Knights first faced the Central Dutch on Saturday morning, before going on to dual against Buena Vista and Dubuque.

Against the Dutch Connor Campo, Logan Thomsen, Andrew Steiert, Lance Evans (by forfeit), Lutes, Cannone and Martin came out on top.

Wartburg's Arnulfo Olea fell to CJ Pestano and Brady Meyer fell to Central's Ryan Vandall.

The Black and Orange defeated the Dutch 37-6.

In the dual against Buena Vista, the Knights prevailed again to go 2-0 for the day, defeating the Beavers 40-3.

Martin remained undefeated on the year, moving his winning streak to 23.

Lutes moved his winning streak to 13 and won his 20th match of the season. Thomsen kept up with the two, earning his 24th win of the year and moving his streak to 22. Zach Lamphere, Kaleb Staack, Dusten Reed, Brice Duhe, Cleveland and Cannone also won their matches.

During the final match of the day, Wartburg won nine out of ten of their matches.

Olea, Reed, Cannone, Meyer, Steiert, Duhe, Levsen, Fank and Evans won their matches. Max Forsyth fell to Quincy Kalkbrenner during his dual.

Overall, the Knights gave up only 12 points on Saturday to go 3-0 at the IIAC duals.The Knights increased their IIAC consecutive dual wins streak to 194. They face Coe College Friday at 7 p.m.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Wednesday - Jan. 25
WBB vs. Coe, 6 p.m.
MBB vs. Coe, 8 p.m.
Friday- Jan. 27
M&W Indoor Track @ UNI
WREST vs. Coe, 7 p.m.
Saturday- Jan. 28
WBB vs. Simpson, 2 p.m.
MBB vs. Simpson, 4 p.m.

IIAC WRESTLING STANDINGS		
Wartburg	17-0	6-0
Loras	10-6	6-0
Central	7-2	4-2
Coe	10-6	4-2
Dubuque	6-7	2-2
Luther	6-7	2-3
Simpson	4-7	1-4
Buena Vista	1-5	0-5
Neb. Wesleyan	1-8	0-7

IIAC MEN'S BASKETBALL STANDINGS		
Buena Vista	11-6	7-1
Loras	14-4	7-2
Neb. Wesleyan	11-5	5-3
Simpson	11-6	4-4
Wartburg	12-6	4-5
Coe	8-10	4-5
Central	9-7	3-4
Dubuque	6-10	3-5
Luther	2-13	0-8

IIAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL STANDINGS		
Wartburg	16-2	8-1
Luther	10-6	6-2
Buena Vista	9-8	5-3
Loras	11-7	5-4
Simpson	7-10	4-4
Coe	9-9	4-5
Neb. Wesleyan	8-8	2-6
Dubuque	6-11	2-6
Central	8-8	1-6

IIAC PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Wartburg's Katie Sommer was named IIAC women's basketball player of the week.

Katie Sommers

She co-led the Knights in scoring and averaged five rebounds and eight assists per game last week.

In the Knights' two victories last week, Sommer went from sixth to third on the career leader list for assists.

In an 85-74 win over Buena Vista, Sommer had 23 points, seven rebounds, six assists and two steals.

Sommer tallied 10 points, three rebounds, 10 assists and three steals in the Knights 78-41 victory over Central.

Sommer is now a four-time Women's Basketball Player of the Week.

She was selected Second Team All-Iowa Conference for the 2015-16 season and was selected for the 2016 Third Team All-West Region Selection.

LOOKING FORWARD

Many spring sports have begun indoor practices in preparation for upcoming games.

Men's tennis will begin the first weekend of February.

Softball and baseball will kick off their seasons with their Winter Break trip games.

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